

Family Farmer Relief Act of 2019: H.R. 2336, amended, to amend title 11, United States Code, with respect to the definition of “family farmer”.

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Bipartisan Budget Act of 2019: The House passed H.R. 3877, to amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985, to establish a congressional budget for fiscal years 2020 and 2021, to temporarily suspend the debt limit, by a yea-and-nay vote of 284 yeas to 149 nays, Roll No. 511.

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Rejected the Massie motion to amend the title by a yea-and-nay vote of 47 yeas to 384 nays, Roll No. 512.

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Venezuela TPS Act of 2019: The House passed H.R. 549, to designate Venezuela under section 244 of the Immigration and Nationality Act to permit nationals of Venezuela to be eligible for temporary protected status under such section, by a recorded vote of 272 yeas to 158 noes, Roll No. 514.

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Rejected the Reschenthaler motion to recommit the bill to the Committee on the Judiciary with instructions to report the same back to the House forthwith with an amendment, by a recorded vote of 215 yeas to 217 noes, Roll No. 513.

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Pursuant to the Rule, an amendment in the nature of a substitute consisting of the text of Rules Committee Print 116–28 shall be considered as adopted, in lieu of the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill.

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Allowing the Deputy Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration on the date of enactment of this Act to continue to serve as such Deputy Administrator: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 2249, to allow the Deputy Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration on the date of enactment of this Act to continue to serve as such Deputy Administrator.

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Permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is

in actual session on a date designated by the Speaker: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Res. 420, permitting official photographs of the House of Representatives to be taken while the House is in actual session on a date designated by the Speaker.

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Authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for an event to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first African slaves to the territory that would become the United States: The House agreed to discharge from committee and agree to H. Con. Res. 53, authorizing the use of Emancipation Hall for an event to commemorate the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the first African slaves to the territory that would become the United States.

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Senate Message: Message received from the Senate today appears on page H7443.

Quorum Calls—Votes: Five yea-and-nay votes and two recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H7396, H7396–97, H7398, H7439–40, H7440, H7441–42, and H7442–43. There were no quorum calls.

Adjournment: The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 8:39 p.m.

Committee Meetings

U.S. IMMIGRATION AND CUSTOMS ENFORCEMENT

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on the Department of Homeland Security held an oversight hearing on U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Testimony was heard from Matthew T. Albence, Acting Director, U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement, Department of Homeland Security.

PROTECTING THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE ACT: MODERNIZING AMERICA'S LABOR LAWS

Committee on Education and Labor: Subcommittee on Health, Employment, Labor and Pensions held a hearing entitled “Protecting the Right to Organize Act: Modernizing America's Labor Laws”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MEMBER DAY

Committee on Energy and Commerce: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Member Day”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kilmer, Chairman McGovern, Chairman Takano, and Representatives Brindisi, Case, Slotkin, Pascrell, Bishop of Georgia, Ted Lieu of California, Kaptur, Grothman, Phillips, Levin of California, Casten of Illinois, Haaland,

Schweikert, Shalala, Watson Coleman, Meng, McBath, Sablan, Napolitano, Levin of Michigan, Lipinski, Roybal-Allard, Herrera Beutler, Trone, Golden, DeLauro, González Colón of Puerto Rico, Torres Small of New Mexico, Malinowski, Finkenauer, Wittman, Cohen, Balderson, Delgado, Gonzalez of Texas, Westerman, Kevin Hern of Oklahoma, Keller, Perry, and Plaskett.

EXAMINING THE USE OF ALTERNATIVE DATA IN UNDERWRITING AND CREDIT SCORING TO EXPAND ACCESS TO CREDIT

Committee on Financial Services: Task Force on Financial Technology held a hearing entitled “Examining the Use of Alternative Data in Underwriting and Credit Scoring to Expand Access to Credit”. Testimony was heard from Lawrance Evans, Managing Director of Financial Markets and Community Investment, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

HUMAN RIGHTS IN SOUTHEAST ASIA: A REGIONAL OUTLOOK

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Asia, the Pacific, and Nonproliferation held a hearing entitled “Human Rights in Southeast Asia: A Regional Outlook”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

RUSSIA AND ARMS CONTROL: EXTENDING NEW START OR STARTING OVER?

Committee on Foreign Affairs: Subcommittee on Europe, Eurasia, Energy, and the Environment held a hearing entitled “Russia and Arms Control: Extending New START or Starting Over?”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

HOMELAND SECURITY IMPLICATIONS OF THE OPIOID CRISIS

Committee on Homeland Security: Subcommittee on Intelligence and Counterterrorism; and the Subcommittee on Border Security, Facilitation, and Operations held a joint hearing entitled “Homeland Security Implications of the Opioid Crisis”. Testimony was heard from Sondra McCauley, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Department of Homeland Security; Bridget G. Brennan, Special Narcotics Prosecutor, New York City, New York; James Edward Hinson, Jr., Deputy Chief, Investigative Bureau Commander, Greensboro Police Department, North Carolina; and a public witness.

OVERSIGHT OF FAMILY SEPARATION AND U.S. CUSTOMS AND BORDER PROTECTION SHORT-TERM CUSTODY UNDER THE TRUMP ADMINISTRATION

Committee on the Judiciary: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “Oversight of Family Separation and U.S. Customs and Border Protection Short-Term Custody under the Trump Administration”. Testimony was heard from Brian S. Hastings, Chief, Law Enforcement Operations, U.S. Border Patrol, U.S. Customs and Border Protection; Department of Homeland Security; Jonathan H. Hayes, Director, Office of Refugee Resettlement, Administration for Children and Families, Department of Health and Human Services; Commander Jonathan White, U.S. Public Health Service Commissioned Corps, Department of Health and Human Services; Joseph B. Edlow, Deputy Assistant Attorney General, Office of Legal Policy, Department of Justice; and Diana R. Shaw, Assistant Inspector General for Special Reviews and Evaluations, Office of Inspector General, Department of Homeland Security.

INCREASING RENEWABLE ENERGY ON PUBLIC LANDS

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources held a hearing entitled “Increasing Renewable Energy on Public Lands”. Testimony was heard from David Bobzien, Director, Office of Energy, Office of the Governor, Nevada; Robert Lovingood, San Bernardino County Supervisor, First District, California; and public witnesses.

LEGISLATIVE MEASURES

Committee on Natural Resources: Subcommittee on Water, Oceans, and Wildlife held a hearing on H.R. 335, the “South Florida Clean Coastal Waters Act of 2019”; H.R. 729, the “Tribal Coastal Resiliency Act”; H.R. 2185, the “District of Columbia Flood Prevention Act of 2019”; H.R. 3115, the “Living Shorelines Act of 2019”; H.R. 3237, the “Platte River Recovery Implementation Program Extension Act”; H.R. 3510, the “Water Resources Research Amendments Act”; H.R. 3541, the “Coastal State Climate Preparedness Act”; H.R. 3596, the “Keep America’s Waterfronts Working Act”; and H.R. 3723, the “Desalination Development Act”. Testimony was heard from Chairman Kilmer, and Representatives Levin of California, Neguse, Norton, Mast, Carbajal, and Pingree; Rear Admiral Timothy Gallaudet, U.S. Navy (Ret.), Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere, Deputy National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Administrator, Department of Commerce; Karl Stock, Acting Director of Policy and Administration, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Department of the Interior;

Rick Shintaku, General Manager, South Coast Water District, Laguna Beach, California; and public witnesses.

WHEN SCIENCE GETS TRUMPED: SCIENTIFIC INTEGRITY AT THE DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Committee on Natural Resources: Full Committee held a hearing entitled “When Science Gets Trumped: Scientific Integrity at the Department of the Interior”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

MISCELLANEOUS MEASURES

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Full Committee held a markup a resolution authorizing Chairman Elijah E. Cummings to subpoena records relating to the Committee’s investigation into the use of non-official electronic messaging accounts by non-career officials at the White House, including from Acting White House Chief of Staff John Michael “Mick” Mulvaney; S. 406, the “Federal Rotational Cyber Workforce Program Act of 2019”; H.R. 3889, the “ONDCP Technical Corrections Act”; H.R. 887, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 877 East 1200 South in Orem, Utah, as the “Jerry C. Washburn Post Office Building”; H.R. 1252, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6531 Van Nuys Boulevard in Van Nuys, California, as the “Marilyn Monroe Post Office”; H.R. 1253, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 13507 Van Nuys Boulevard in Pacoima, California, as the “Ritchie Valens Post Office Building”; H.R. 1972, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1100 West Kent Avenue in Missoula, Montana, as the “Jeannette Rankin Post Office Building”; H.R. 2151, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 7722 South Main Street in Pine Plains, New York, as the “Senior Chief Petty Officer Shannon M. Kent Post Office”; H.R. 3207, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 114 Mill Street in Hookstown, Pennsylvania, as the “Staff Sergeant Dylan Elchin Post Office Building”; H.R. 3314, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 1750 McCulloch Boulevard North in Lake Havasu City, Arizona, as the “Lake Havasu City Combat Veterans Memorial Post Office Building”; and H.R. 3329, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 5186 Benito Street in Montclair, California, as the “Paul Eaton Post Office Building”. S. 406, H.R. 3889, H.R. 887, H.R. 1252, H.R. 1253, H.R. 1972, H.R. 2151, H.R. 3207, H.R. 3314, and H.R. 3329 were ordered reported, without amendment. A resolution authorizing Chairman Elijah E. Cummings to subpoena

records relating to the Committee’s investigation into the use of non-official electronic messaging accounts by non-career officials at the White House, including from Acting White House Chief of Staff John Michael “Mick” Mulvaney was ordered reported, as amended.

EXAMINING JUUL’S ROLE IN THE YOUTH NICOTINE EPIDEMIC: PART II

Committee on Oversight and Reform: Subcommittee on Economic and Consumer Policy held a hearing entitled “Examining JUUL’s Role in the Youth Nicotine Epidemic: Part II”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BENIGN BY DESIGN: INNOVATIONS IN SUSTAINABLE CHEMISTRY

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Research and Technology held a hearing entitled “Benign by Design: Innovations in Sustainable Chemistry”. Testimony was heard from Tim Persons, Chief Scientist and Managing Director, Science, Technology Assessment, and Analytics, Government Accountability Office; and public witnesses.

THE COMMERCIAL SPACE LANDSCAPE: INNOVATION, MARKET, AND POLICY

Committee on Science, Space, and Technology: Subcommittee on Space and Aeronautics held a hearing entitled “The Commercial Space Landscape: Innovation, Market, and Policy”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

SUPPORTING THE NEXT GENERATION OF AGRICULTURAL BUSINESSES

Committee on Small Business: Subcommittee on Rural Development, Agriculture, Trade, and Entrepreneurship held a hearing entitled “Supporting the Next Generation of Agricultural Businesses”. Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

EXAMINING THE FEDERAL ROLE IN IMPROVING SCHOOL BUS SAFETY

Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure: Subcommittee on Highways and Transit held a hearing entitled “Examining the Federal Role in Improving School Bus Safety”. Testimony was heard from Brenda Sue Fulton, Chair and Chief Administrator, Motor Vehicle Commission, New Jersey; Kristin Poland, Deputy Director, Office of Highway Safety, National Transportation Safety Board; and public witnesses.

VistA TRANSITION: ASSESSING THE FUTURE OF AN ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS PIONEER

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Subcommittee on Technology Modernization held a hearing entitled "VistA Transition: Assessing the Future of an Electronic Health Records Pioneer". Testimony was heard from Carol Harris, Director, Information Technology Acquisition Management, Government Accountability Office; and the following Department of Veterans Affairs officials: Paul Tibbits, Executive Director, Office of Technical Integration, Office of Information and Technology; Charles C. Hume, Acting Assistant Deputy Under Secretary for Health for Office of Health Informatics, Veterans Health Administration; Thomas O'Toole, Senior Medical Advisor, Office of the Assistant Deputy Undersecretary for Health for Clinical Operations, Veterans Health Administration; and John Short, Chief Technology and Integration Officer, Office of Electronic Health Record Modernization.

THE SOCIAL SECURITY 2100 ACT

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "The Social Security 2100 Act". Testimony was heard from Stephen C. Goss, Chief Actuary, Social Security Administration; and public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Committee on Ways and Means: Full Committee held a business meeting on historical documents protected under Internal Revenue Code section 6103. A letter from the Joint Committee on Taxation and attachments was ordered reported, without amendment.

BUSINESS MEETING

Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence: Full Committee held a business meeting on Consideration of the Access Request from Rep. Elissa Slotkin and Rep. Mike Thompson; and Consideration of the Access Request from Rep. Stephanie Murphy. Member access requests were granted.

CREATING A CLIMATE RESILIENT AMERICA: BUSINESS VIEWS ON THE COSTS OF THE CLIMATE CRISIS

Select Committee on the Climate Crisis: Full Committee held a hearing entitled "Creating a Climate Resilient America: Business Views on the Costs of the Climate Crisis". Testimony was heard from public witnesses.

BUSINESS MEETING

Select Committee on the Modernization of Congress: Full Committee held a business meeting to consider recommendations to Streamline and Reorganize House Human Resources, Overhaul the Onboarding Process and Provide Continuing Education for Members, Modernize and Revitalize House Technology, and Make the House Accessible to all Americans. The recommendations passed.

Joint Meetings

STATE OF MEDIA FREEDOM

Commission on Security and Cooperation in Europe: Commission concluded a hearing to examine the state of media freedom in the Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe region, after receiving testimony from Harlem Desir, Representative for Freedom of the Media, Organization for Security and Co-operation in Europe, Vienna, Austria.

**COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR FRIDAY,
JULY 26, 2019**

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

Senate

No meetings/hearings scheduled.

House

Committee on Oversight and Reform, Full Committee, hearing entitled "The Patient Perspective: The Devastating Impacts of Skyrocketing Drug Prices on American Families", 9:30 a.m., 2154 Rayburn.